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Subject: Fw: Mr. Gary Matrejean - Bayou Corne, LA

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Hey guys, we received a call from a resident in Bayou Corne sinkhole who is complaining about the situation. What is EPA's role if any? How should we respond? Thanks for your assistance.

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Received and returned a call to Mr. Matrejean in Bayou Corne, LA who has several concerns with the Bayou Corne sinkhole in Assumption Parish. Wants to know if EPA has a role in the situation. I told him I would get back with him after I get a status of the situation, including EPA's role if any.

Feels like there is some type of cover-up going on and thinks Texas Brine is not being held accountable for anything that's going on.

- nothing is happening and the citizens are not getting any assistance.
- evacuated from homes for 6 mothhs
- Somebody is getting paid off Texas Brine is getting away with contaminating their
- Area recently received over 18 inches of rain and is concerned about possible contamination of the swamps

Agencies involved

- Conservation Commission
- LDFO
- LDHH
- LDNR
- Parish Government

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